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Docket No. 122.1446/HJS

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Satoshi IWATA et al.

### Group Art Unit:

-Serial No.:

Examiner:

Filed: March 21, 2001

For: PORTABLE ELECTRONIC VIEWER SYSTEM

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fee for and examination of the above-identified application, please amend / the claims as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please ~~AMEND~~ the claims in accordance with the following

17. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) A portable electronic viewer system as set forth in Claim 15, wherein a signal comprising the identification number of said viewer division is transmitted from said viewer division to said portable server division, wherein wherein when said signal is received at said portable server division, said signal is collated with the identification number of a viewer registered therein and wherein when said collation determines that said identification numbers coincide with each other, a publication signal is described in an intermediate data file.